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In the Application of: **Fazan et al.** ) Group Art Unit: **2814**  
Serial No: **10/724,648** ) Before Examiner  
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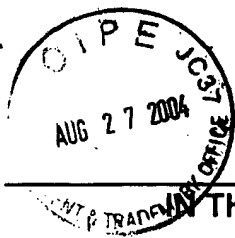
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**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, kindly amend the application as follows: